



A quorum being present, a Massachusetts Hockey regular monthly meeting as listed in the Massachusetts Hockey Guide Book 2013-2014 Calendar of Events, was called to order at 7:40 pm on Monday, February 2, 2014, by Keri-Anne Allan, President, at the Hilton Garden Inn, Waltham, Massachusetts with attendance recorded by the Secretary including 41 voting members having signed in.

I. PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS:.

II. SPECIAL GUESTS/REPORTS: Tom Smith presented information on Look Up Line. He spoke about his injuries and how the idea was developed. He requested that MA Hockey join in getting the Look Up Line implemented

Mike Dargin: he is working on State Final dates for the mini one-on-one. Check with him or Kevin for dates for the district mini one-on-ones (Squirts, PeeWees, U10 & U12 girls – no Mites). Level 1 Coaching Symposium will be in the fall.

III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: Attended the New England District meeting with Keri. Our relationship with them is strong. We will continue to build our relationship with them. They are on the same page as MA Hockey regarding Mite hockey.

IV. REGISTRAR: New USA Hockey software will be web based – no downloads. At the Registrar's meeting there was a push to increase roster size.

V. REFEREE-IN CHIEF: no report

VI. COACH-IN-CHIEF: Keri spoke for Paul Moore: More wavers have been given out to coaches moving between levels.

VII. INSURANCE/RISK MANAGER: no report

VIII. DISTRICT PROGRAMS

District #1: Play downs complete

District #2: Play downs complete. Next meeting next Monday.

District #3: Play downs almost done.

District #4: Play downs complete. Discipline hearing on PeeWee who punched ref.

District #5: No report

District #6: All quiet

District #7: Play downs complete.

District #8: Play downs complete.

District #9: Play downs complete next week.

District #10: Play downs complete

Club: All quiet.

Girls/Women's: Next meeting next week.

High School: All quiet

National Bound: All quiet

Seniors: All quiet

Referees: All quiet

IX. SECRETARY

A motion by Jeff Brown seconded by Dennis Doherty to accept the minutes of the January 6, 2014 Monthly Meeting of Massachusetts Hockey passed by unanimous vote.

X. GENERAL COUNSEL All quiet

XI. FINANCE Tax returns this week. 1099's mailed out



XII. ADMINISTRATION Motion to accept proposal to accept amendment to proposal for Mite Exemption. 82% approved amended proposal. Rules & Regulations Article VI: Motion passed by 79%.
New rule will be posted on website and newsletter. USA Hockey is looking for a progression toward full compliance. This rule matches what our border states are doing.

XIII. OPERATIONS Mindy reported for Ellie Cheever regarding Cheever Grant: Grant committee received total of 25 final applications – same number as 2013. Several programs missed the deadline or withdrew their application. Grant applications will be reviewed over the next few weeks with an anticipated notification date of 2/28/14. Programs awarded grant dollars will join MA Hockey and the Boston Bruins at the 3/17 Bruins game vs the Minnesota Wild.

XIV. PLANNING no report

XV. EVENTS MA Hockey 40th Anniversary Committee is working on a guest speaker and invitation list. Two free tickets are available for Wounded Warriors game – deadline to contact Christine Mayer is 2/28/14.

XVI. EDUCATION Safety: There are 5 proposals regarding safety – will know in June what we will move forward on. Mike Bonish: at meeting in Florida, leader from larger states commended Kevin on his presentation.

XVII. OLD BUSINESS no report

XVIII. NEW BUSINESS: Rick Fask spoke about a report that youths are down 4% due to costs and safety. He hopes that we look towards working at the cost of playing hockey. It was pointed out that it is being addressed.

Keri will get rule proposal for March for player movement.

Reminder that Curt Everett needs nomination papers by February 20, 2014 for anyone running for open board positions.

The next regular monthly meeting of Massachusetts Hockey will be held Monday, March 3, 2014 at 7:30 pm. as noted in the Massachusetts Hockey Guide Book 2013-2014 Calendar of Events.

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:45pm and was approved by consensus.

Respectfully submitted,

Mindy O'Neil
Secretary

Reviewed and approved,

Keri-Anne Allan
President and Presiding Officer